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In re Application of: )  
Ernest L. Lawton et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1774  
Application No.: 10/775,174 ) Examiner: Jill M. Gray  
Filed: February 11, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 9931  
For: FIBER PRODUCT COATED WITH )  
PARTICLES TO ADJUST THE )  
FRICTION OF THE COATING )  
AND THE INTERFILAMENT )  
BONDING )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2005, the period for response which has been extended by the accompanying petition and fee, Applicants request reconsideration and allowance in view of the following remarks.

**REMARKS**

**I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-72 are pending in this application. Claims 53-72 are withdrawn from further consideration by the Examiner as being directed to non-elected inventions.

**II. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-52 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over PCT Patent Publication WO 97/35457 (Tungare). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for at least the reasons presented below.